

FISCAL NOTE

HB 677 - SB 717

March 7, 2003

SUMMARY OF BILL: Prohibits public universities from distributing or selling hearing instruments to consumers.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Decrease State Revenues - \$8,000

Assumes a loss of \$8,000 in revenue to the university would be realized if only the distribution and selling of hearing aid instruments are prohibited by this bill. The Department of Audiology and Speech Pathology at the University of Tennessee relies on its clinical practicum for research and accreditation; therefore, it is assumed that it is not the intent that the development of hearing aids in connection with these activities would be prohibited.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "James A. Davenport". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first letters of the first and last names being capitalized and prominent.

James A. Davenport, Executive Director